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PURPOSE

The purpose is to establish the policy for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to ensure that MDHHS performs ongoing, scheduled technical and non-technical evaluations on systems and programs that contain Electronic Protected Health Information (ePHI).

DEFINITIONS

ePHI is the acronym for Electronic Protected Health Information. It is Protected Health Information that is transmitted or maintained in electronic form.

PHI is the acronym for Protected Health Information. It is information that can identify a person and contains health related data pertaining to that person.

Workforce Member means employees, volunteers and other persons whose conduct, in the performance of work for a covered entity, is under the direct control of such entity, whether or not they are paid by the covered entity. This includes full and part time employees, affiliates, associates, students, volunteers and staff from third party entities who provide service to the covered entity.

POLICY

It is the policy of the MDHHS to perform ongoing, scheduled technical and non-technical evaluations based on the standards implemented under the HIPAA Security Rule, in response to environmental or operational changes that might affect the security of ePHI.

MDHHS shall conduct a scheduled assessment to identify all vulnerabilities and ensure that all have been addressed.

MDHHS shall verify that all compliance requirements have been met.

REFERENCES

45 CFR 164.308(a)(8)

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